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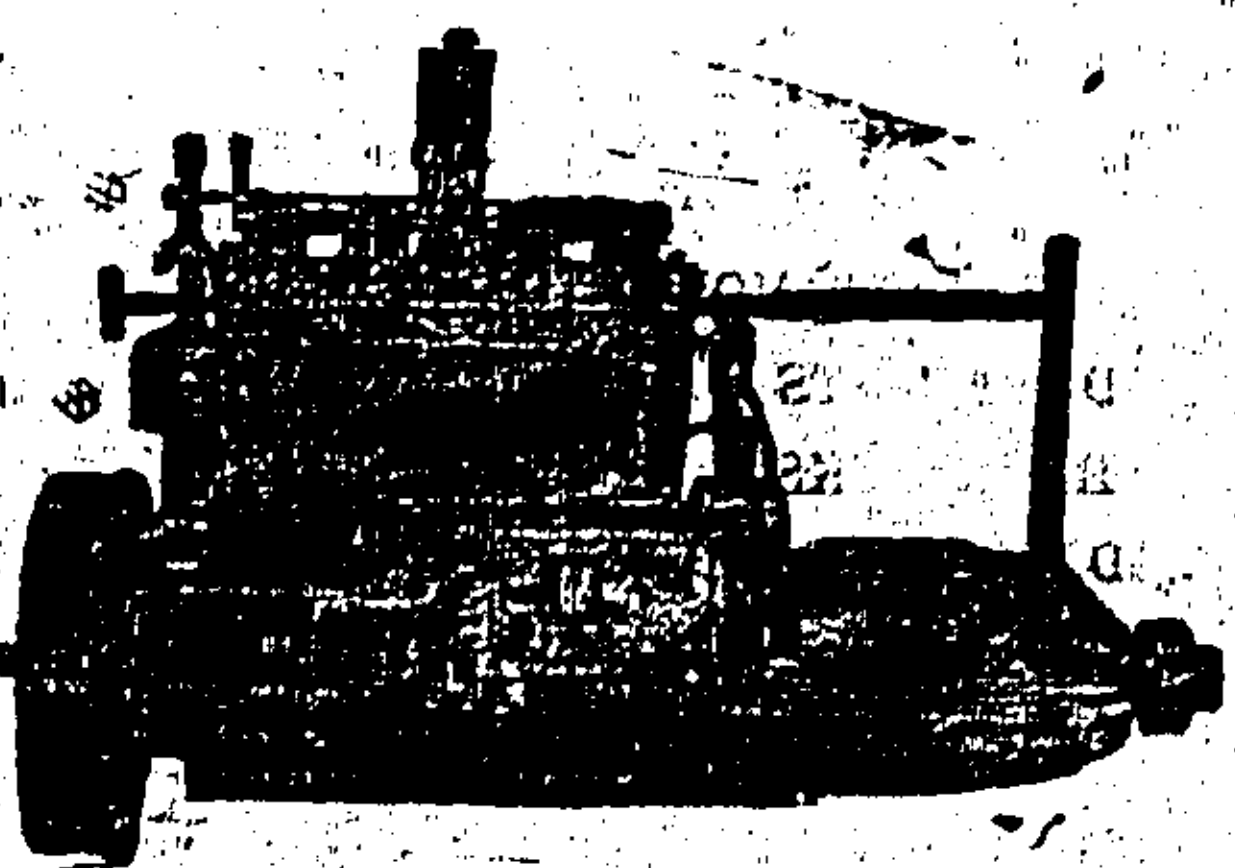
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BOLSHEVIST EMISSARIES TO "CANTON."

"ROYALLY RECEIVED."

The Canton newspapers would seem to have overlooked the following occurrences in Canton.

We reproduce this paragraph from Northern papers:

A Canton message states that M. Alexieff, who styles himself Minister of Soviet Russia, in company with two other Russians, arrived on January 25th from Moscow via Shanghai, and was royally received by the Chief of the Staff of Sun Yat-sen, with 30 Chinese soldiers as guard of honour. Among the various leaders, it is reported that General Chen Chiung-ming and Mr. Tang Shao-yi favour the immediate recognition of the Soviet Government of Russia by the Southern administration, but Dr. Wu Ting-fang and others oppose it. The arrival of M. Alexieff will be followed immediately by the establishment of Bolshevik propaganda agencies in Canton.

BOLSHEVIST PROPAGANDA IN CHINA.

300,000 ADHERENTS IN CHINA.

PEKING, January 29th.

The Ministry of the Interior, and the Commander of the Peking Gendarmes have jointly wired to the various civil and military governors with reference to the prohibition of the invasion of the Russian Bolshevik and communist ideas and thoughts into China. In the despatch, Chen Tui-hsieh, former professor of the Government University in Peking, is mentioned as the instigator of the Chinese communist party, and as one of the promoters of the Chinese New Thoughts Movement. According to the latest reports from Government agents, Prof. Chen is said to have established connections with the leaders of the Russian communist society in Moscow for spreading their dangerous doctrines in the republic with the assistance of Russian money.

In another despatch to the Governors, Mr. Chang Tze-tan, Minister of the Interior, says that he has seized many books and pamphlets about communist doctrine, and that in company with Popoff, Chen is secretly working among the workmen in Shanghai and also among the lower ranks of employees of the Peking-Mukden, Peking-Hankow, Tientsin-Pukow, Shanghai-Nanking and Peking-Shuiyuan railways. The communist leaders are seeking to induce the masses to demand full self-government rights for all the provinces, and they will rise against the Central Government in case this demand be rejected by Peking. The Minister of the Interior adds that he is in possession of reliable reports that the Russian and the Chinese communist leaders have already enlisted about three hundred thousand followers and adherents, including wharf and godown workers, railway, and silk flature labourers.

The Government is evidently exceedingly afraid of the communist movement, and is sending special secret agents and detectives to follow the movements of Chen and Popoff who are reported to be proceeding to Canton to see Dr. Sun Yat-sen about the final movements of the communists. This is the latest Chinese official scare raised by General Wong Hui-ching and Mr. Chang Tze-tan about Russian Bolshevik and communist activities in China; but at the same time, owing to the discussion or negotiation of the proposed resumption of Sino-Russian commercial relations, no attention is paid by the Chinese authorities to the presence of many suspicious Russians and other foreigners in North China.—*Asiatic News Agency.*

THE OUTPUT OF BANKNOTES BY NATIVE BANKS.

PRINTERS OBJECT TO A POLICE ORDER.

The Asiatic News Agency (Peking) writes:—For the protection of the money markets which are now flooded with bank-notes printed by the various printing presses in the capital, the metropolitan police headquarters have just issued orders prohibiting Chinese printing houses from printing bank-notes for native banks without previous permission. The owners of the printing houses object to this order which is being regarded by them as illegally assisting the Government printing bureau of the Ministry of Finance to monopolize the bank-note printing business in North China, and also they say that this order, if effectively enforced, will force the native banks and many shops to give their orders to foreign printing houses in Peking and Tientsin. In this connection, the *Yafungpo* observes that with the single exception of the notes of the Sino-Japanese exchange bank, which are printed by the Government printing bureau of the Ministry of Finance, the majority of the notes of other Chinese banks are being printed by the well-known Commercial Press of Shanghai and other Chinese printing houses north of Shanghai. Further, the American Bank Note Company of New York has an office in Peking, and since 1915, it has been doing a rather large business among the Chinese banks, especially those Chinese banks administered after modern foreign banking methods. The owners and managers of the Chinese printing business are going to hold a special conference in their guild soon for the discussion of this important question because the police order seriously interferes with and curtails their legitimate commercial activities.

To-day is the last day of Messrs. Lane, Crawford's sale, which has been very successful. A few oddments remain, and these will be offered at further reduced prices to ensure clearance in order to allow of the resumption of standard lines which have not been procurable since was broke out until now.

ST. PAUL'S GIRLS' SCHOOL. PRIZE DISTRIBUTION BY LADY STUBBS.

The scholars of this school gave a charming entertainment prior to the annual prize giving yesterday afternoon. The little ones in the kindergarten gave action songs, the older girls sang part songs, and two of the girls enacted a little sketch. This had quite a local flavour, which is more than could be said of the part-song "The Four Seasons" which was really too English in its allusions to winter snows to have much meaning for Chinese children in this latitude. In the sketch, a girl, tired of her baby-sister's cries, goes out to sell her for twenty dollars. When it comes to the point, however, she finds that natural feelings prevent her from striking the bargain. It would have made quite a good little playlet if the amateur author had not put one speech too many into the manuscript and so got an anti-climax. Miss Chang Oi Yau, one of the elder girls, recited an address in Chinese which took the opportunity of impressing upon parents the importance of school training as compared with private tuition. The last item on the programme illustrated the surprisingly high standard of pronunciation reached by the scholars. Three quite small children gave an amusing dialogue in which such expressions as "approximate," "proportional," "arithmetical," were introduced and quite properly pronounced. Each copy of the programme handed to visitors had a different brush work design, painted by scholars after only one year's instruction in painting.

The Headmistress (Miss Woo) read the annual report in which she said:—I have much pleasure in extending our warmest welcome to the parents and friends who have honoured us with their presence at this our sixth annual prize-giving. The school has steadily grown in every respect. The number on the roll is 150 as against 130 for the previous year. The average attendance during the past year was 145. Our school is now on the Government grant list and the grant has enabled us to rent two more rooms and to engage more efficient teachers. Progress has been made in every department of work, but the subjects that are worthy of special mention are singing, drawing, Chinese and English compositions, and pronunciation. We are greatly indebted to Miss Hall for taking charge of the singing, to Miss Lo Chui Wa for teaching drawing, to the Chinese masters, Mr. Yung Te, Cheong Li for teaching English composition. To the labour of Miss Kotewall, Miss Wong and Miss Rathson is ascribed the clear pronunciation of the girls. I desire to thank Mrs. Hickling for having kindly given a course of lectures on Home Nursing during the last term, and Miss Kotewall for helping in the practical work in connection with the lectures. We are glad to welcome back Miss Pitta who, kindly, has been teaching the children singing. She also takes the Bible class in the school. I mention with joy that three of the old girls, Wei Kam Man, Wei Kam Sung and Leung San King, who graduated last year, have come back to us and are giving their services free to the school. They have rendered valuable help not only to the school but to the girls individually by their unselfish example. Mrs. Yuen and the Misses Kowk are leaving us for the higher call of the home. Their places are being filled by Mrs. Birch, Miss Lyon, Miss Wong, Miss Law, Mr. Au and Mr. Lo.

It is most encouraging to see that the spirit of unselfishness, self-denial and self-sacrifice of time and money for the poor and uneducated is developing strongly in the character of our girls. They have all worked hard and in a spirit of mutual co-operation for the Ministering Children's League, and have succeeded in obtaining \$1,040.80 for the League, the second largest sum on the list. They have also given \$205 to the Chinese Home Missionary Society, and will soon work up a play, specially written for the purpose, for the North Chinese Relief Fund. The bigger girls spent their last summer in opening a Summer School for the poor children in this neighbourhood. This school was conducted and managed entirely by the girls. The hours of study were 7 to 9 a.m. and 10 to 12 a.m. The number of girls attended was nearly 70, and the school continued for five weeks. There is a still greater matter in which the girls have taken the initiative. It is the opening of a Free School in Tai Hang at Causeway Bay. It is called St. Paul's Girls' Free School, and the girls take a very keen interest in it. The Principal is a graduate of our school, and one of her two assistant-teachers was a pupil here. This school has the maximum roll of 60, and we are proud of the results attained after a year's work.

The Y.W.C.A. of our school is helping to develop the spiritual side of the girls as well as the social side. There are eight Bible classes conducted after school hours, and I wish to thank Miss Stewart and Rev. Tso See Kai for conducting two of them. I should like here to thank Mrs. Wong Kam Fuk for the beautiful silver cup she has presented to the school for the class that has the highest average marks in the monthly examination.

Lady Stubbs then presented the prizes, briefly congratulating the girls and the teachers on the good work done. The Bishop of Victoria said he believed this was the only Higher Grade Vernacular Grant School in Hongkong with a Chinese lady as headmistress, and Miss Woo was to be congratulated on the good work done. The Bishop also commented on the delightful entertainment the visitors had enjoyed. He had been much impressed in attending the various prize-givings with the important work for the future being done in the schools.

The proceedings concluded with the presentation of a beautiful bouquet of roses and sweet peas to Lady Stubbs.

PEAK SCHOOL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

HEADMISTRESS ASKS FOR
REGULAR ATTENDANCE.

The prizes were distributed to the children of the Peak School on Thursday by Mrs. Severn. There was a large attendance, including the Hon. Dr. Severn and Mrs. Severn, the Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving (Director of Education), and Mrs. Irving, Mr. E. Ralphs (Inspector of English Schools), the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, Mr. A. R. Lowe, Mrs. Hickling, M.B.E., and many others.

The following is the report as submitted by the Headmistress (Mrs. Stark):—

During the year 40 new pupils were admitted to the school and 46 left.

The year opened with 70 pupils on the roll and closed with 49. There were 187 school-days in the year.

Attendance.—In the winter term the attendance was good, but by March it began to fall away. The irregularity of attendance became so marked that morning school only was adopted during the summer term. Irregular attendance is one of the chief causes of the backwardness of this school. Surely any parent can make it his duty, in order to give a school a fair chance, to see that his child attends regularly.

Parents really cannot justly complain, as so many have done, about the state of this school if they do not co-operate with the teachers in the matter of attendance. In the Log-Book I found an entry of this nature:—"Mrs. X. had a party and, in consequence, no children were present at school that afternoon." In the short time that I have been Headmistress here I find that absolutely anything, however trivial, is allowed to interfere with a child's attendance at school. I trust that, the matter having been put clearly to you, a marked improvement in attendance will result.

STAFF.—The school has suffered much this year because of the changes in the staff. Mrs. Main resigned and left the Colony on March 11th. Miss Hazeland joined the staff as student-teacher, her duties being particularly to help in the teaching of French in the lower classes. Mrs. Fletcher re-joined after a year's absence, and I deeply regret to say that about two months after her resignation in October, Miss Jack went on leave. Mrs. McIntosh, Mrs. James, and Mrs. Harding left for England. Miss Macdonald replaced Miss Jack, and the Misses Bowen were appointed to other vacancies. Miss Cooper acted as Headmistress for nine days and was transferred then to the Bellis School. Mrs. Brown and Mrs. McHutchison assisted for a short time. Such changes were bound to disorganize the work.

Miss Macdonald has continued as Drill and Dancing Mistress. Her teaching is very greatly appreciated. Mrs. Macpherson has joined the staff as Drawing Instructor, and drawing is now taught on the newer and more rational system.

Madame Moussion takes the senior work.

INSPECTION.—During the year the school was visited both by the Education Committee and by the Inspector of English Schools, with the Director of Education. Various suggestions were made to improve the condition of the school, and these were carried out.

An entertainment was given by the pupils, the programme being as follows:

(1) Songs—"The Gardener," "Il était un Berger," "Frère Jacques," Infants.
(2) Dances—Ribbon Dance by May Austin, Kitty Blair and Margaret Cameron. Varsoviense by the Upper School.
(3) Recitation—"The Story of an Apple," Eric Crockett, Philip Humphreys, Lewis McDougall, and Roy Austin.
(4) Dance—Irish Jig, May Austin and Kitty Blair.
(5) Recitation—"Two Little Birds," Jack Breakspear, Kathleen Lowe, Edith Geare, and Nevil Wilson.
(6) Songs—"The Lamplighter," "Where go the boats," "Monton Noir," Upper and lower school.
(7) Recitation—"A Bab Ballad," Margaret Cameron, May Austin, Kitty Blair, and Beattie Blair.

Items 2, 4 and 7 were especially good and much enjoyed. Mrs. Severn spoke of the happy and healthy appearance of the children, and invited the school to hold its annual sports, as in previous years, at the Colonial Secretary's residence. Mr. Irving thanked Mrs. Severn and drew special attention to the importance of regular attendance. The proceedings closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

PRIZE LIST.

Class III.—Margaret Dathau, Form Prize.
Class VI.—Alys Crockett, form prize; Kitty Blair, drawing and gymnastic medal; Beattie Blair, history and geography, and special prize for Scripture (presented by the Rev. H. Copley Moyle); Margaret Cameron, composition and spelling.
Class V.—Eric Crockett, form prize; Peggy Wells, reading and dictation.
Class VII.—Lewis McDougall, arithmetic; Theodora Cameron, general progress; Roy Austin, arithmetic and dictation; Gunoor Sorensen, general progress; Joyce Penman, history, and Philip Humphreys, English.
Class VIII.—Hilary Lowe, application; Dick Shiner, general progress; Leo Kokolevsky, general progress; Billy Turner, reading; Harold Jacks, arithmetic; and John Beavis, writing and drawing.
Infants.—Ruth McDermid, form prize; William Loring, arithmetic, writing, and drawing; Hugh Nisbet, reading and arithmetic; Wim Coolhaas, general progress and French; Peter Humphreys, Richard Lowe, and Jack Shaw, general progress.

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SAILORS IN TROUBLE.

MAGISTRATE AND THE DOCTRINE
OF "SCHOOLBOYS' HONOUR."

Before Mr. Orme, at the Magistracy, yesterday, Leading Telegraphist Joseph Dixon of H.M.S. *Tamar* and Leading Signaller Patrick Thomas Driscoll, H.M.S. *Hamble* were charged with having unlawfully and wilfully given false testimony before the Magistrate on February 1st, in a case in which Seaman Edward Thomas Sharp of H.M.S. *Tamar* was charged with having committed assault on a Wanchai shopkeeper.

The Magistrate, addressing the accused, said that he had directed Inspector Kent to put their names on the charge sheet for giving false testimony. Their action had made it very hard for him to decide a recent case. On consideration, however, he had come to the conclusion that their feeling towards Sharp, their mate, had led them to support his story. He would make Sharp responsible for the case as put before him, and, therefore, he would caution them that when they came to Court, they must tell the truth. The men were discharged.

Addressing Sharp, the Magistrate said there was no doubt that he had gone to the shop of the complainant, a Chinese, and had seriously assaulted him. He quite appreciated the fact that a man might sometimes come ashore and get involved in quarrels, but if he gave full assistance to the police by giving his name and that of his ship, there was no difficulty, as a rule, in settling the matter by paying compensation. He understood that at the station the accused had given the inspector much trouble by refusing information concerning himself. He did not believe the complainant's story that the accused had stolen part of his stock. One thing he would like to impress on the accused was the necessity of giving every assistance possible to the police. In the circumstances, the Magistrate said he did not feel justified in giving the accused the option of a fine, but would sentence him to 14 days' hard labour, and order him to pay \$5 to the complainant as compensation.

B. N. BORNEO COMPANY.

THE PROSPECTS OF THE
CURRENT YEAR.

Sir West Ridgway, presiding at the half-yearly meeting of the British North Borneo Company, Limited, held on December 21st at River Plate House, E.C., said that the financial results of the current year are likely to prove quite satisfactory, and he hoped that at their next meeting he would be in a position to lay before the shareholders encouraging figures, notwithstanding a certain amount of trade depression in the last quarter of the year. He was unable to furnish precise information regarding the check in their trade development, but with trade at home at a low ebb it would not be reasonable to expect North Borneo to maintain uninterrupted commercial prosperity. Especially was this the case with the rubber industry, which provided the bulk of the total value of the country's exports. It has to be taken into account that the heavy fall in the price of rubber, with one or two exceptions all the rubber companies operating in North Borneo had loyally agreed to the proposals of the Rubber Growers' Association to curtail output by 25 per cent. Exports of rubber from North Borneo in the first half of the year showed an increase of over 6 per cent. over the corresponding period of last year, indicating that during that period a healthy rate of progress was maintained. In June next the Fifth International Rubber and other Tropical Products Exhibition would be held at the Agricultural Hall. They were taking steps to ensure that the territory would be adequately represented.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. L. G. BIRD, D.S.O.,
ADMINISTRATIVE COMMANDANT.

PARADES.
Parades for week ending 12th February will be held in accordance with Programme of Work.

MUSKETRY.
No. 2 Platoon will fire Part II. Annual Musketry Course on Sunday, 12th February, at 10 a.m. on King's Park Range.

Officer for duty: Lieut. F. C. Hall.

PROMOTIONS.
The following Promotions will take effect from this date.

NO. 1 PLATOON.
To be Sergeant No. 221 Pte. E. W. Alderson, M.C., vice Sergt. T. P. M. Bevan, M.C. Commanded.
To be Corporal No. 198 Pte. T. R. Roanett, M.M.
To be Corporal No. 195 Pte. A. W. Roberts, M.M.

MOUNTED INFANTRY SECTION.
Parade at Polo Ground, Causeway Bay on Friday, 11th February, at 5.15 p.m. Dress: Optional.

CADET COMPANY.
No parade on Tuesday, 8th instant.
G. F. E. RAPSON, Lt.-Major,
Adjutant, H.K.V.D.O.

NOTICE.

Hongkong Rifle League (Team Shoot on Saturday, 12th instant, at 2 p.m.)
Corps Team v. H.M.S. *Titan*.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1921.

progress; Frank Rapson, Oral composition and handwork; Billy Dallin, recitation; Kari Sorensen, writing and reading; George Apear, general progress; Leslie Howard, general progress; Tommy Carpenter, singing; Kathleen Lowe, writing and handwork; Jack Breakspear, reading, number and handwork; Edith Geare, general progress and singing; Nevil Wilson, recitation and Oral composition; Eileen Grant, general progress; Gilbert Humphreys, handwork, and Eileen Ranger, handwork.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

The thirty-second ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., was held at noon yesterday at the offices of the Company in Victoria Buildings, Hongkong. Mr. T. M. Pearce (Chairman of the Company) presided and there were also present: the Rev. Father Robert, Messrs. J. Rodger (directors), L. S. W. R. Wilkinson, J. H. Seth, J. M. Machado and Mowbray S. Northcote (secretary).

The SECRETARY read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,—The report and statement of accounts together with the auditor's report having been in your hands for some days, I propose to take them as read. The net profit for the year is, I regret to say, somewhat below that for 1919, being \$16,612.28, as against \$18,922.46, in spite of the fact that revenue from rents and interest shows an increase. This result is entirely due to expenditure on upkeep of our property, our repairs bill being just under \$5,000 as compared with only \$1,333 in the previous year, the heaviest expenditure being in the external renovation of our entire property.

As the shortage of housing accommodation in our district appears to be as acute to-day as it was when addressing you last year, your directors have decided to further postpone any contemplated redevelopment of the property. With the exception of some needed repairs to roofs now being carried out, the houses appear to be in habitable condition and there is therefore no immediate urgency for re-building.

It is now proposed to pay a dividend of \$2.00 per share, or 10 cents per share less than last year, and to carry forward \$255.56 to a new account. I now beg to propose that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed, and shall be glad if some member will kindly second the motion.

Mr. J. M. Machado, and the motion was carried.

Mr. J. Rodger proposed, and Mr. Northcote seconded, the confirmation of the Rev. Father Robert as director of the Company. The motion was carried.

The re-election of Mr. Rodger and of Father Robert as directors of the Company was then approved, on the proposition of Mr. Seth, seconded by Mr. GREENHILL.

The re-election of Mr. Percy Smith as auditor, at a remuneration of \$100 per annum, was carried, on the motion of the Rev. Father Robert, seconded by Mr. GREENHILL.

This concluded the business.

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

The thirty-fourth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., was held yesterday at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. The Hon. Mr. John Johnstone, chairman, presided, and there were present Sir Paul Chater, the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr, Messrs. A. O. Lang, A. H. Compton, G. M. Dodwell, A. S. Gubbay, D. M. Graham (directors); W. S. Brown (secretary); and the following shareholders: Messrs. J. Hooper, A. S. Ellis, A. W. Heron, P. K. Kwok, H. Humphreys, T. Petrie, G. C. Moxon, Chan Si Ki, J. H. Wallace, H. O. Leung, J. W. Kew, and A. E. Griffin.

After the Secretary had read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said:—I propose with your consent to take the report and accounts as read. The chief alterations in the balance sheet last year are the additional amounts of capital expenditure in connection with our buildings and wharves. The sum of \$165,629.67 under Kowloon Buildings covers our payments during the year for the new office and the new reinforced concrete godown. The latter, which has been utilized throughout the year, has been of very considerable value to the Company in relieving the congestion which otherwise would have been experienced had we been forced to rely on our old godowns, which in spite of the extra accommodation we are now able to offer, continue to keep comfortably full. The amount mentioned as "since expended" under the heading "Kowloon Wharves" represents the cost to date of the steel work for the extension of our No. 1 wharf, which we hope to be in a position to complete during the next month or two. Gross receipts for 1920 are \$7,643.67 less than for 1919, which difference is accounted for by a slight decrease in earnings and an increase in the cost of maintenance of railway stock and lighters. This results in a slight diminution in our net profits, but your Directors consider that the figures justify them in recommending an increase of \$1 in the bonus to shareholders, which I trust will meet with your approval. As you are no doubt aware Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice, lately carried out a survey of this harbour with a view to advising the Hongkong Government on its future development. Up to the present there is no indication of when we may expect to receive his report, but bearing in mind the fact that he has to visualize Hongkong 30 years hence, I do not suppose that he is at all likely to put forward suggestions for development with a view to the future without first taking time for consideration. His report may, therefore, be delayed for some months. I mention this matter because there exists in the Colony a feeling of apprehension that when the report does come to hand it will be found that Sir Maurice recommends the erection of Government wharves at the back of those now occupied by Takko. If such a suggestion is put forward I think it will be found that attached thereto is a recommendation that the Government should not enter into

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CORRESPONDENCE.

UNION CHURCH.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—My attention has been called to your report of the annual shareholders' meeting of this Church, and I should like to correct a phrase or two which might create undesirable misapprehension.

The meeting is said to have been that of the "Union Congregational Church," and I am said to have expressed a wish for constitutional amendment in the direction of Congregational principles.

The Church is not Congregational either in foundation or in fact, but under denominational in the strict sense, its membership being drawn from all Protestant Communions, for the most part, as it happens, Presbyterian.

As regards constitution the only alteration I said anything about—a matter not for public discussion but domestic consideration—is one which would bring the practice of the Church more into line, not with that of Congregationalism alone but that of every other communion I know of. I made no reference to Congregationalism at all, and it would be a wrong use of my position to do so.—Yours faithfully,

J. KIRK MACONACHIE.

Union Church,
Hongkong, February 4th, 1921.

HIGHWAY ROBBERIES.

WAYFARERS STOPPED IN LONELY PLACES.

The police yesterday reported two cases of highway robbery. In the first one, a coolie employed at the Repulse Bay Hotel was returning to the hotel, via Wanchai Gap Road, on Thursday, when he was accosted near the godown by three men, one of whom produced a dagger and threatened to stab him if he offered any resistance. He grappled with this man, but the other two bore him to the ground. In the course of the struggle the man received a wound in the thigh. The robbers took some money from his pocket, and stole a bundle of clothing which he was carrying.

A Chinese married woman, living on Stonecutters Island, who was walking from Hongkong to Yau Ma Tei by a short cut behind the King's Park Range, on Thursday afternoon, was stopped by two men who suddenly stepped out from the bushes. One of the men, who was armed with a dagger, caught her by the wrist and threatened to kill her if she gave the alarm. He took from her finger a gold ring valued at \$12, and the other man took from her coat pocket \$10 in notes. Both men then ran up the hill towards Hongkong.

COMPANY REPORT.

LAOU KUNG MOW COTTON MILL.

At a board meeting, held on the 28th ult., at Shanghai, it was decided, subject to audit, to recommend that the balance of the Rs. 857,882.56 standing at the credit of profit and loss account for 1920 be dealt with as follows:—

Interim dividend paid August 14th, 1920, of Tls. 15 per share	120,000.00
Final dividend of Tls. 50	400,000.00
Depreciation	61,000.00
Development reserve	140,000.00
Dividend reserve	40,000.00
Bonus to foreign staff	5,830.00
Donations	6,500.00
General managers' commission	80,294.08
Carry forward to 1921 account	4,438.78
Tls. 857,882.56	

An extraordinary general meeting will take place in March asking shareholders for authority to convert the 5,000 shares of Tls. 100 each to 50,000 shares of Tls. 10 each.

direct competition with existing concerns but should endeavour to come to some mutually satisfactory arrangement therewith, either as regards management or for the acquisition of existing companies. This, however, is looking a good many years ahead, and I merely touch on it now to allay fears which may exist in the minds of present shareholders that their investments in this concern are not so good as they thought they were, or that the Government will be encouraged to themselves embark upon an opposition concern without heed for existing undertakings of a similar nature.

With these remarks, gentlemen, I beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. G. C. Moxon said: "Good wine requires no bush." The excellent figures before you require no eulogy from me. I think the management should receive our hearty thanks. I second the adoption of the report.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. T. Pearce proposed, and Mr. P. K. Kwok seconded, the confirmation of Mr. D. M. Graham, Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. G. M. Dodwell, and Mr. A. S. Gubbay as directors. Carried unanimously.

It was proposed by Mr. H. Humphreys and seconded by Mr. A. E. Griffin that the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr and Mr. A. H. Compton be re-elected directors. Carried unanimously.

Mr. Ho Leung proposed, and Mr. J. W. Kew seconded, that Messrs. F. Maitland and H. Percy Smith, F.C.A., be re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$700 each. Carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN: This, gentlemen, concludes the proceedings. I thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants may be had on application on the 5th.

SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

TO-DAY'S PROSPECTS.

The following 1st Division League matches are due to take place to-day. (The 2nd Division fixtures appeared in Friday's issue):—

2nd Wiltshires v. Hongkong Club, Club ground, at 3 p.m. Referee, Mr. Leaf.

H.M.S. Ambrose v. R.G.A. Navy, "B" ground, at 4.30 p.m. Referee, Mr. Hollands.

S.C.A. v. H.M.S. Tamar, S.C.A. ground, at 4.30 p.m. Referee, Mr. Jones.

H.M.S. Titania v. Hongkong Police, Navy "A" ground, at 4.30 p.m. Referee, Mr. Wells.

CHALLENGE SHIELD COMPETITION.

St. Joseph's College v. H.M.S. Colombo, St. Joseph's ground, at 4.30 p.m. Referee, Mr. Chessoley.

AUGUR.

H.K. Club v. Army, Club ground, at 4.30 p.m.

The Challenge Shield Competition opens to-day when St. Joseph's meet H.M.S. Colombo in the first round on the St. Joseph's ground. The Navy men are new to Hongkong, but in Navy leagues they have made a good showing and can hold their own with the leading teams in the squadron. The St. Joseph's side will be strong and a very good game is expected.

In the senior division of the League the Club will be at home to the Wiltshires in the day to make room for the rugby match later. A good game should be seen, with the Club collecting both points.

The match between the Services on the Navy "B" ground should provide good sport where the soldiers will be out to catch up with their Military rivals for League honours. The sailors can still field a good side, and a fast and even game is expected.

The game between the S.C.A. and Tamar should be another hard game with the Chinese winners. The sailors will have the assistance of the small river craft at present in port, and they will make the Chinese go all the way.

The Police will meet the Titania on the Navy "A" ground, where a fast game should end in favour of the Navy team.

The Police last week beat the Ambrose by the only goal scored, and, encouraged by their success, should give the sailors a very good game.

The match of the Junior division should be that between the S.C.A. and the R.G.A. Reserves. The soldiers will attempt to reverse the result of the previous games between these teams. Should the soldiers win they will displace St. Joseph's at the head of the League as the College boys are playing in the Challenge Shield Competition this week.

The Carlsle—United match should be a good game, with the sailors having the odds.

The Officers, the Kowloon Reserves and the Staffs should beat the Indians, the Punjabs and the Club de Recreo, respectively.

THE CLUB v. 2ND WILTS REGIMENT.

The following will represent the Club against the 2nd Wiltshire Regiment on the Club ground, to-day (kick-off, 3 p.m. sharp):—G. Rodger, L. Lawrence and M. Tonkin; M. E. Ralston, J. Rodgers, J. W. R. McPhail, L. Goldenberg, H. McTavish, W. Kaur, S. Begg and H. Day.

SOUTH CHINA A.A. v. H.M.S. "TAMAR."

The following will represent the South China Athletic Association in their 1st div. match against H.M.S. Tamar on the South China ground to-day at 4.30 p.m.:—Lau Hing Cheung, Fung Tai and Chan So; Leung Yuk Tong, Leung Tai Fong, and Tin Kun Sau; Ko Sik Wai, Ip Kan, Wong Pak Chung, Kwok Po Kan, and Au Kit Sang.

SOUTH CHINA A.A. v. R.G.A.

The following will represent South China Athletic Association in their 2nd div. match against the R.G.A. on the South China ground to-day, at 3 p.m.:—Hui Shing Yiu; Kwok Sin Yan and Tam Fong; Pang Kam Wing, Li Siu Ying and Lau Hon Wing; So Chung Ming, Leung Wing Tak, Lai Yuk Tat, Tsau Kam Woon, and Chan Kwong Yiu.

UNITED v. "CARLSLE"

The following will represent the United against H.M.S. Carlsle to-day, on the Navy ground (kick-off, 3 p.m.):—W. McLeod, J. Beach and D. Dr. Urquhart; J. Leonard, D. Laing, and C. H. Blake; J. Kent, P. Brown, G. T. May, A. E. Simmons, and G. Chubb.

CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH.

A Charity match in aid of Kwong-tung War Devastated and North China Famine Relief, between South China Athletic Association and the Rest of the Colony will take place at the Hongkong Football Club ground on February 6th.

The following are the names of the South China team:—Lau Hing Cheung; Fung Tai and Chan So; Leung Yuk Tong, Leung Tai Fong, and Cheung Wing Shing; Ko Sik Wai, Ip Kan, Wong Pak Chung, Kwok Po Kan, and Au Kit Sang. Reserves: Kum Fook and Lai Yuk Tat.

"The Rest"—G. Rodger (Club) goal; Trivett (Wiltshires) and Tonkin (Club) backs; McPhail (Club), Wilkins (H.M.S. Hawksins) and J. Rodger (Club) capt. halves; Savage (H.M.S. Ambrose), Downs (H.M.S. Ambrose), Robertson (Police), Keay (R.G.A.) and McHugh (R.G.A.) forwards. The Rest colours, white, and the Chinese, red. Referee, Mr. Jones. R.N. Linemen, Mr. J. McGabbin (Club), and Lai Yuk Tat (S.C.A.).

GOLF.

K.B.G.C. v. K.C.C.

The teams for a return match between the "K.B.G.C." (golf section) and the K.C.C. (golf section) to take place in the King's Park on Sunday, at 9.30 a.m., are as follow. Singles will be played in the forenoon and pairs in the afternoon:—

K.B.G.C. (G. Sec.):—H. F. Stoneham, T. Sherman, W. McKay, W. O. Lambert, Capt. C. B. Biggs, A. W. J. Hoy, D. Gow, W. Russell, T. Evelyn, C. Atkinson, R. J. Dixon, J. Ellis, A. M. Simpson, F. L. Cooke, J. O. McLaggan and D. MacKenzie.

K.C.C. (G. Sec.):—W. T. Elson, J. S. MacIntosh, Capt. D. Ritchie, P. Henthote, A. O. Brown, H. E. Stevens, J. P. Robinson, D. Harvey, C. W. M. Reynolds, J. Ralston, A. E. Davidson, B. E. Nicholls, C. Bond, J. H. Oxberry, J. MacIntosh and W. J. Edwards.

CHESS.

HONGKONG CHESS CLUB.

A tournament was held, followed by a dinner, at Whimman's, on Wednesday, between teams captained by the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp and the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, respectively, of which the following was the result:—

Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C.	0	H. M. Basto	1
Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.	1	Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.	0
Rev. H. V. Copley	0	Rev. H. V. Copley	1
Capt. H. S. Mills	1	Moyle	0
C. M. Sequeira	0	D. E. de Carvalho	1

BILLIARDS.

HO KONG TONG TOURNAMENT.

In the Ho Kong Tong handicap at the Palace Hotel, last night, E. Guimaraes (200) played a brilliant game against his opponent O. Hatt (100), having two breaks of 65, and one of 50, besides other small breaks to his credit and winning the game by the large margin of 214 points.

Ho Sai Man (150) beat W. French (100) by 84 points (games 250 up).

To-night at 6 W. E. Wilson (50) meets E. L. Jarvis (30) and at 9 J. B. Wilson (200) meets W. E. Crocker (150).

UNIVERSITY TEAMS IN CANTON.

A party of students representing the University in football, basketball and tennis are now in Canton playing matches with Canton teams. The teams are composed of the following:—

FOOTBALL.—Lim Ngai Min (captain), Khoo Thean Sang, K. S. Cheah, T. L. Cheah, S. A. M. Sepher, S. C. Ting, D. K. Samy, D. Laing, B. C. Lee, T. Z. Wu, Choa Koh Liang, B. J. Aw, H. S. Tay, and

BASKET-BALL.—"Pao Le Ching" F. T. Hu, T. H. Wong, T. S. Wong, C. E. Lee, and C. C. Tan.

TENNIS.—F. Prata (captain), I. T. Pun, M. K. Yue, and H. M. Soo.

The Union Secretary (Mr. K. H. Khoo) is charge of this party.

IMPORT OF GERMAN DYES.

BREACH OF THE RE-EXPORT REGULATION.

At the Magistracy, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, yesterday, Li Sham, of the Leung Yin Hong, of No. 124, Des Voeux Road West, was summoned by Mr. N. L. Smith, Superintendent of the Imports and Exports Department, for having inaccurately described five packages of sulphate of soda which he proposed to export.

Mr. A. E. Hall, who appeared for the defence, entered a plea of not guilty.

Mr. Smith said that to protect British dyes, foreign dyes were not allowed to be sold in the Colony. Foreign dyes would be imported into the Colony only under special licence, and then they must be re-exported as received. Suspicion having been aroused that certain firms were importing foreign dyes and keeping them in the Colony, packages returned for export as dyes were searched on Friday and out of ten cases belonging to the defendant's firm, five were found to contain sulphate of soda.

Mr. Hall said the defence was that a bona fide mistake had been made and that the defendant who loaded the packages on board the s.s. *Chuenchow* for exportation to Macao was entirely to blame. Allegedly ten packages were taken delivery of and the defendant was instructed to take the five packages of dyes to the *Chuenchow* and the other five packages containing sulphate of soda, to the shop.

An illiterate man, he made the mistake of putting the wrong packages on the ship. As soon as the firm discovered the mistake on the Saturday, a representative was sent to report to the Import and Export Office, but unfortunately the office was closed, and his clients had no option but to wait until the Monday. The dyes were intended for Shekki.

The defendant said the dyes were of Japanese origin. Owing to the boycott of Japanese goods in the country, they were packed in matting in the same way as sulphate of soda.

Mr. Smith said that the packages of dyes were larger than those of sulphate of soda and bore marks. It was curious that the unmarked packages should be put on board and the marked ones removed to the shop.

Mr. Lindsell asked if the Import and Export Office took a serious view of the case.

Mr. Smith said it did, as it was a convenient mistake to make, and one which could be often repeated without great risk of detection.

A fine of \$50 was imposed.

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ECONOMIC POSITION OF GERMANY:

ITS LOW PER CAPITA TAXATION.

TURKEY'S NEW CLAIMS: FOR PRESENTATION TO NEAR EAST CONFERENCE.

TSAR OF BUILDING TRADES: SENSATION IN NEW YORK.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NEAR EAST CONFERENCE TURKEY'S BUDGET OF CLAIMS.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 4th.
According to the Press, Turkey is submitting the following claims to the London conference: abrogation of privileges accorded to Greece in the Smyrna region by the Treaty of Sevres, autonomy in Thrace based on the principle of nationality, maintenance under Turkish sovereignty of Turkish territories ceded to Armenia by the Treaty of Sevres, modification of the economic clauses affecting the sovereignty and independence of Turkey and modification of the military clauses in order to enable Turkey to possess an army sufficient for purposes of defence.

FRENCH LOAN.

AMOUNT OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.

PARIS, February 2nd.
A Havas message says:—
The French Loan had produced until January 31st the amount of 28,000,000,000 francs.

THE DIVINE SARAH. HONOURED BY FRANCE.

PARIS, February 2nd.
A Havas message says:—
Sarah, Bernhardt, the famous actress, has received the Cross of the Officer of the Legion of Honour.

SWIMMING RECORD.

AMERICAN ATHLETE'S FEAT.

CHICAGO, February 4th.
Norman Ross, the American Olympic champion, swimming in a tank, covered a mile in 22 min. 38 1/5 sec., creating a world's record.

UNREST IN ITALY.

CHAMBER REJECTS SOCIALIST MOTIONS OF CENSURE.

ROME, February 4th.
Socialist motions of censure regarding the Government's domestic policy in connection with the action of local authorities in the recent disturbances were rejected by the Chamber, with an overwhelming majority, after Signor Giolitti had appealed for a vote of confidence in the Government.

SINN FEIN CAMPAIGN.

ACQUITTAL IN LIVERPOOL CASE.

LONDON, February 4th.
The two men, Bowler and McParthin, have been acquitted at Liverpool on a charge of murder in connection with the Sinn Fein outrages in Liverpool in November.

EARLIER CABLES.

COSTLY AMBUSH AGAINST POLICE.

LONDON, February 3rd.
Two lorries conveying twenty policemen were ambushed in Ros-Carrberry, Co. Cork, and the policemen fought and repulsed 500 of their assailants, killing 6 and wounding several, also capturing many bombs, rifles and much ammunition. The police had no casualties.

The attack was made from the grounds of the house of a magistrate, who had been imprisoned in it with his family and Dean Ross on the night prior to the attack.

9 POLICEMEN KILLED; 2 WOUNDED.

LONDON, February 4th.
An official statement says that a party of police was ambushed at Pallas Green, near Limerick, 9 being killed and 2 wounded.

LATEST CABLES.

ALLIES' REPARATION DEMANDS.

GERMANY'S LOW TAXATION.

LONDON, February 4th.
In connection with the report of the Financial Committee of the Brussels Conference, it appears from another annex that the approximate average taxation per head, direct and indirect, calculated at the current rates of exchange in the countries named is as follows:—United Kingdom, £17; France, £16.8; and Germany £11.8.

EARLIER CABLES.

M. BRIAND'S CONFIDENCE.

PARIS, February 3rd.
At a joint session of the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies, M. Briand inaugurated a two days debate on reparations. In the course of his speech he said that France had secured the programme desired by the Chamber, and the question of disarmament had been settled to France's entire satisfaction. The two objectives had been, firstly, obtaining an immediate payment of the highest figure possible, and, secondly, benefiting from Germany's economic enrichment in order to avoid the immoral spectacle of the enrichment of the vanquished at the expense of the ruin of the victors. The tax on German exports, M. Briand said, would correct the paradoxical situation created by Germany having to develop its exports to the detriment to the Allied commerce in order to pay the Allies. France had in no way renounced the possibility of recovering the total payment of the debt. The Reparations Commission would fix the total before May 1st.

The coal question also, M. Briand continued, was on the road to settlement. Germany had been informed that she would have to deliver 220,000 tons monthly, in February and March, plus a quarter million tons to cover the deficit in the preceding months, failing which she would have to conform strictly to the Treaty figures, which were distinctly higher than those at present fixed. M. Briand concluded in the most confident tone: "We have at last entered the domain of realisation. The conference has tightened the bonds of the Entente. The atmosphere of cordiality permits us to regard the future with full confidence and security."

PRESIDENT MILLERAND'S CONGRATULATIONS.

PARIS, February 1st.
A Havas message says:—
At to-day's Cabinet meeting President Millerand expressed to M. Briand his profound satisfaction at the results of the Inter-Allied Conference and warmly congratulated the Premier and Ministers.

EXCESS PROFITS DUTY.

MR. AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

LONDON, February 3rd.
Speaking in Birmingham, Mr. Austen Chamberlain announced a practical abandonment of the Excess Profits Duty, without substitution of new duties. He declared that there will be no new taxation in the forthcoming Budget.

AN UNPRECEDENTED COURSE.

LONDON, February 3rd.
Mr. Chamberlain, speaking at Birmingham, took an unprecedented course in anticipating the Budget, which he explained was only permissible in view of the abnormality of the times. Mr. Chamberlain, firstly, accounted the reported intention of the Government to provide a rush election, and criticised the thoughtlessness of those who presumed to instruct the public in encouraging hopes of a widespread reduction of taxation. That was impossible. The war had transformed Great Britain from a creditor into a debtor nation, but we had transformed the national deficit into a balance on the right side, and had begun to repay foreign debts of the Government. He concluded that we could afford not to renew the Excess Profits Duty, which was only justifiable as an absolute financial necessity.

Consequently the duty will be dropped as from the end of last year in the case of a business started since the beginning of the war and in the case of other businesses the duty will only run for seven years from their first accountancy period. New duties might be imposed in respect of dumped goods or depreciated exchanges, but there will be no new taxes.

Mr. Chamberlain believed that this announcement would restore confidence and re-invigorate trade. He also held out hopes that the Budget will be reduced £250,000,000.

CANADA'S PLACE IN THE EMPIRE.

PREMIER EXPOSES BOGEY OF LOSS OF AUTONOMY.

MONTREAL, February 4th.
The Premier, Mr. Arthur Meighen, speaking at a banquet, outlined the Government's fiscal policy. He upheld the principle of protection with revision of tariffs suitable to the altered conditions. Referring to Canada's national position, he declared that Canada did not need the lesson of the war to value aright her status as a nation within the Empire. Sentiment and interest kept the British connection secure for a century, but the events of the past six years had made the ties even firmer. "With the sister Dominions and Great Britain," the Premier said, "we formed, many years ago, the first League of Nations, the survival of which had been demonstrated by the severest trials of peace and war in both peace and war. Our burdens were lighter, and achievements greater, because we stood together."

Mr. Meighen discredited those continually seeing trouble in Imperial relations, contending that "there was no more danger of loss of autonomy than of loss of atmosphere." Canada's word to the rest of the Empire at present is "Let's keep on the way we are going, and let brotherly love continue."

MONROE DOCTRINE.

ADMIRAL RODMAN EXPLAINS IT TO CHILE.

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, February 3rd.
Admiral Rodman, who is visiting here with the American Fleet, says that the only object is to visit a sister nation. As regards the Monroe Doctrine, the United States never entertained any pretensions to absorb the South American Republics. The doctrine involved certain reciprocal duties. The United States would watch over the weaker sisters, merely as a sister republic, and give the European nations, without distinction, to understand that they must not interfere with American affairs.

AMERICA'S NAVAL POLICY.

MR. DANIELS BELIEVES IN EQUALITY OF POWER.

WASHINGTON, February 3rd.
The report of Mr. Daniels (Secretary of Navy) to the Navy Board reiterates the belief in battleships as the principal units of the fleet. Without battleships, the report says, the United States cannot hope to compete with the existing navies, adding that while equality of power should continue to be a factor in America's naval policy there was no thought of instituting an international competition in construction.

LOSS OF "K5."

RESULTS OF ADMIRALTY INQUIRY.

LONDON, February 3rd.
The findings of the inquiry, issued by the Admiralty, respecting the loss of submarine K5 fail to throw light upon the disaster. They explain that the submarine, which recently underwent periodical refit, was practising an attack on capital ships when she dived, reappeared and dived again. Subsequently she failed to respond to calls. The evidence shows that she did not sink in a collision. It is conjectured that some loss of trim or control may have occurred, causing the vessel to reach a depth at which the external pressure would account for her destruction.

CARDIGANSHIRE BY- ELECTION.

SIR LOVEDEN PRYSE WITHDRAWS HIS NAME.

LONDON, February 3rd.
Sir Lewis Thomas Loveden Pryse has withdrawn his candidature and supports Mr. L. Williams in the Cardiganshire by-election.

LIMOGES COLLISION.

10 KILLED; 47 INJURED.

PARIS, February 3rd.
Ten persons were killed and 47 were injured in the head-on collision between a passenger and a goods train, near Limoges.

NEW DANISH LEGATIONS.

BILL IN FOLKETING.

COPENHAGEN, February 3rd.
The Foreign Minister has submitted to the Folketing a bill increasing diplomatic and consular representation abroad and providing independent legations in Holland, Japan and Siam, and a new consulate in Batavia.

LOAN TO CHILE.

NEW YORK BANKERS' VIEWS.

NEW YORK, February 3rd.
Banking circles confirm the report that a loan of \$25,000,000 to Chile is under contemplation, but deny similar reports as regards the Argentine and Brazil.

BRITISH TRADE IN CHINA.

THE COMMERCIAL COUNSELLOR ON THE PROSPECTS.

In the current issue of the *Board of Trade Journal*, Mr. H. H. Fox, C.M.G., Commercial Counsellor in China, writes on the subject of the prospects of British trade in that country. His views have recently been very fully stated in public speeches, but in the course of his observations on what we may describe as "China in transformation," which deserve prominence, he tells us that: "China is changing, perhaps more rapidly than her well wishers could desire, and a growing force of public opinion is demanding, along with far reaching reforms in her system of government, a drastic revision of the conditions under which foreigners trade and carry on their business in the country. The old order has suited us well, and we shall not lightly surrender our hard won rights for the sake of the new, but at the same time we must be prepared to recognise and adapt our selves to changed conditions, and, above all, make it clear to the Chinese, that they may count on us for sympathy and support in their efforts to develop the commercial and industrial resources of their country. The interest now being taken in China by our merchants and manufacturers, and the increased volume of trade which may with confidence be looked for as a result, will be of the greatest value in strengthening the hands of those who are entrusted with the safeguarding of British interests in China, and whose duty it will be to deal with the various problems which will come up for solution during the next few years. We are fortunate," says Mr. Fox, "in possessing in the Association of British Chambers of Commerce in China and the China Association in London two representative and influential bodies who, in consultation with Chambers of Commerce and other Associations in this country, may be relied upon to voice the considered opinions of both merchant and manufacturer on all questions where British trade interests are concerned."

NEWS FOR THEATRE-GOERS.

FEWER COMPANIES COMING TO THE EAST.

A Bombay message dated January 18th says:—It was announced some days ago that Bombay was to receive a visit from an Italian Grand Opera Company, but the visit is now doubtful, owing to reports the company has received regarding the shortage of accommodation for the company, which numbers 150. This has long been a serious deterrent to the state of theatrical companies not only in Bombay but other cities in the East, and another factor is the enormously increased costs.

Mr. James McGreath, local manager of the Madras Syndicate, estimates that the cost of bringing a theatrical company to the East is now 300 per cent. above previous rates. He says that Mr. Fred Wynn, manager of the Grottoes, has written to him pointing out that whereas before the war he could have brought his company to Bombay for a little over £200 it would now cost him £1,500. "People grumble at the fare provided for them at the theatre," said Mr. McGreath, "but companies refuse to come to the East because the overhead charges are so great. It is not only Bombay which suffers, but the same thing applies to Colombo and Calcutta and all the other great cities of the East. We shall never be able to improve the standard of the theatre in the East until the housing problem in these cities is solved and until it is possible to bring large companies to the East on a sound commercial basis."

U.S. BANKING FACILITIES IN THE FAR EAST.

The formation of the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation, says the *Far Eastern Fortnightly*, marks the entrance into the Far Eastern field of another American banking group of first importance. As in the case of other recent developments, the new organisation is backed by one of New York's great financial houses, and has allied with it several Pacific Coast banking institutions. The object of the Equitable Trust Co. of New York in organising the new factor in our Far Eastern financial activities is to develop further the large Far Eastern business now being done by it, as well as to facilitate and build up its foreign trade with the Orient. The company, founded by the Equitable Trust is capitalised at \$2,000,000 gold, with a surplus of \$500,000. The support of the Pacific Coast is assured by the inclusion of the very powerful Mercantile Trust Co. of San Francisco, as well as the North-Western National Bank of Portland, Oregon, among the incorporators. Recognising that Shanghai is the focal point for Far Eastern development, the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation will have its headquarters in this great clearing-house for Far Eastern trade and financial activity.

JAPAN'S MINERAL RESOURCES.

Dr. H. Paul, of Yokohama, contributing to recent issue of *Gluckauf*, discusses Japan's mineral resources. He emphasises great advance in output of the coal mines during the war from 22,000 million tons in 1914 to 30,000 million (estimated) for 1919. Yet the production hardly suffices for home requirements. The industry's prospects are regarded favourably, although exhaustion of the deposits is anticipated in 50 years if demand goes on increasing and no new areas are discovered. Hence Japan's increasing interests in the deposits of neighbouring countries, notably China, with deposits estimated at over 1,000 milliards of tons.

MOSCOW'S THREAT TO JAPAN

RUMOURS OF SOVIET PREPARING TO MAKE WAR.

HARBIN, January 28th.
Reports from Chita indicate a coming change in the Far Eastern Government's policy, and the possibilities of a war with Japan before spring are largely and openly commented upon.
It is understood that the Far Eastern Government has been instructed by Moscow to assume an aggressive policy towards Japan and China. This order is explained by the following facts:—(1) The closing of the Manchurian frontier has proved to be a fatal blow for the Reds. (2) Conditions in Soviet Russia are such that any delay in opening trade relations may prove fatal. (3) The Soviet authorities, fearing the dispersion of the army, are anxious to involve it in a fresh war.
Coinciding with this report from Chita, there are strong rumours here that an agreement has been concluded between Ataman Simonov and General Chang Tso-lin whereby all arms and ammunition belonging to the Kappell and Simonov armies will be returned to the men. It is also said that a plan of combined action against the Reds has been discussed in detail at Mukden by the Japanese military authorities, Chang Tso-lin and Simonov. The course of a new mobilisation about to be declared by Simonov are closely connected with the Mukden Conference. On returning to Port Arthur, Simonov wired to some of his best Generals summing them to a conference.
The political atmosphere has become very strained and the population is nervous.—*Reuter*.

JAPAN IS READY.

VLADIVOSTOK, January 28th.
General Takayanagi, Japanese Chief of Staff in Siberia, stated to-day that the Japanese Staff had received much information, indicating that Soviet Russia was preparing for war with the Japanese. He did not believe that this was true, but nevertheless, he stated, Japan was ready.
The Vladivostok National Assembly has resumed its sittings. The peasant element which was formerly united, has split up into anti-Bolshevik and pro-Bolshevik sections. All efforts to secure a reunification have failed.
In view of the governing body having failed to cope with economic conditions, it is being re-formed.
A message from Radolovoy states that one of Kappell's soldiers threw a bomb into a barracks, killing six of his comrades. He was immediately shot, without trial.—*Reuter*.

THE PACIFIC.

THE DIVIDING LINE.

Dr. E. N. Scholfield, O.B.E., writing on "The Pacific Today" in *The Times Trade Supplement*, in the course of his remarks says:—In considering the future of the Pacific we must forget that there is a distinct line dividing the thickly populated Asiatic region, embracing most of the East Indies and the Philippines, from the sparsely peopled expanse of Polynesia, Micronesia and Melanesia. As regards Micronesia, which lies north of the line, Japanese are likely to exert this by introducing numbers of their own people of social classes which the white races cannot transplant permanently to these latitudes. These will solve the twin problems of labour and population, and ought in time to provide for Japan at her own doors a very useful subsidiary market and source of raw materials.

RUSSIAN DEBT TO BRITAIN

A TOTAL OF £309,100,000.

In the negotiations with the Soviet Government the question of Russian debts has been repeatedly mentioned. But the public, and some departments of State even, are absolutely in the dark as to the real extent of the indebtedness. I am now in a position (says a correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*) to give exact figures. They permit us to judge of the importance of the question for the British taxpayer and capitalist. In this note it is my intention to touch principally upon the debt of Russia to the Exchequer of this country, as in this case the interests of every single taxpayer are involved.

Before the war Russian Government loans in England did not exceed the comparatively insignificant sum of £30,000,000. But during the war period this modest total swelled to a very high figure. In all for war credits Russia incurred the following debts to this country:

1. The Baring Convention	£102,000,000
2. The 1915 agreement	30,000,000
3. The 1916 agreement	150,000,000
4. The 1917 agreement	9,700,000
5. Special banking facilities	8,500,000
6. Persian Force (about)	800,000

Total

This sum should be augmented by nearly £100,000,000 if interest due and unpaid for a long period is taken into consideration. To pay off these huge sums the Russian Government had in reality only transferred to the Bank of England in 1914 £25,000,000. In 1915 a further £40,000,000 were brought out, but remained the property of the Russian State Bank, to which it must be returned one year after the official ending of the war.

A cat has been described as "an animal which is always on the wrong side of the door." Anyone who keeps one knows this to be true. Two lovers of cats were each discussing her favourite, and agreeing on this point. "But Tom is so clever," said one; "he always leaps on to the door-handle and swings when he wants to go out or in." "My cat is more artful than that," said the other; "he just pretends he's going to be sick, and gets the door opened immediately."

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"EURYPTUS"
are hereby notified that the Cargo will be
discharged into Hold's Wharf, Kowloon,
where it will lie at Consignee's risk. The
Cargo will be ready for delivery from Go-
down on and after 3rd Feb. unless
Optional cargo will be landed, unless
notice has been given prior to steamer's
arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will
be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays
between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon
within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the steamer's Godown, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th
Feb. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Underwriter on or before
the 24th Feb. or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 3rd, 1921. 380

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM KOBE.

THE Steamship

"FOOKSANG"
having arrived from Kobe, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all
Goods are being landed at their risk into the
hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or
from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.
Goods not cleared by the 6th Feb. will be
subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged packages
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined. Claims against the steamer
must be presented within 10 days of arrival,
otherwise they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 3rd, 1921. 381

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG and
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"CHAKSANG"
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all
Goods are being landed at their risk into the
hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or
from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.
Goods not cleared by the Feb. 6th. will be
subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged packages
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined. Claims against the steamer
must be presented within 10 days of arrival,
otherwise they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 3rd, 1921. 382

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"MISHIMA MARU,"
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
Consignee must be sorted out Mark by Mark
and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are
landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions have been given to the contrary
before Noon To-day.

Goods not cleared by Feb. 9th, 1921, will
be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignee's
and the Co's representatives at an appointed
hour on Tuesday and Friday. All claims must
be presented within ten days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they cannot be
recognized. No claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the Godown.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 3rd, 1921. 383

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"KASHEGAR"

Arrived Hongkong, on Feb. 2nd, 1921.

FROM LONDON, GIBRALTAR, MALTA,
LEIS, PORT SAID, ADEN, COLOMBO
& STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
Consignee must be sorted out Mark by Mark
and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are
landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions have been given to the contrary
6 hours before arrival of the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, including
date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Go-
downs for examination by the Consignee's and
the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD
& DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on MONDAY and
THURSDAYS.

All Claims must be presented within ten
days of the Steamer's arrival here after which
date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 2nd, 1921. 387

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"LAHORE"

Arrived Hongkong, on Feb. 2nd, 1921.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID,
BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
Consignee must be sorted out Mark by Mark
and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are
landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions have been given to the contrary
6 hours before arrival of the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, including
date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Go-
downs for examination by the Consignee's and
the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD
& DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on MONDAY and
THURSDAYS.

All Claims must be presented within ten
days of the Steamer's arrival here after which
date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 2nd, 1921. 386

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "HUNGARIA"

FROM TRIESTE, VENICE, PENANG &
SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby
informed that all Goods are being
landed at their risk into the Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or
from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded, unless
notice to the contrary be given before 3rd
February.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the 9th
Feb. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be
presented to the Underwriter on or before
the 19th Feb. or they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on the 7th Feb. at 10 A.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DODWELL & Co., Ltd.
Agents.
Hongkong, February 3rd, 1921. 379

AMERICAN TRADE.

BURDEN OF TAXATION.

EVIL EFFECT ON BUSINESS.

The Financial Correspondent of the
Daily Telegraph, writing from New York,
recently said:—

The commencement of the last session of
the present Congress next week has
brought to a head the nation-wide discus-
sion of taxation problems in their relation
to and influence upon the business of the
country for the coming year, and so far
as a careful study of the prelude affords
a glimpse of future events there are no
grounds to anticipate much relief.

There is no question that the thing most
urgently required by American industry
is not necessarily a reduction in but a
readjustment of war-time taxes—many of
them vicious to the new economic era, and
which the United States has undoubtedly
extended. This tremendous problem should
be solved well before next March when the
first of the new taxes payable on the exist-
ing system of taxation will perpetuate
itself for another year and cause wide-
spread industrial hardship. It is maintain-
ed with some truth, that the existing
plan of taxation has to a large degree been
responsible for the present state of indus-
trial depression, and it is not seriously
denied that a continuation of it for another
year will greatly retard recovery. Unfor-
tunately, the tax adjustment is made in the
tax year which the new Republican Congress
may accomplish during the course of the
year will be offset by the evil effects of
an out-of-date tax system.

Despite the obvious urgency, there is
little prospect of vital legislation being
passed, however. The last Congressional
term was so devoted to the dispute over the
League of Nations that there has accumu-
lated an unprecedented amount of pressing
business, which even the Republicans ad-
mit must be disposed of first, or the Gov-
ernment machinery will be seriously dis-
rupted. Politics, however, will again be
a big stumbling block, the Democrats natu-
rally being disposed to leave the Re-
publicans a legacy which will have its
evil influences upon their opponent's ad-
ministration. If President Wilson and his
outgoing supporters are to be persuaded to
forget their grievances in order to avert a
national disaster time may be found to pass
some very necessary reforms.

The Republican policy will be to
diminish direct taxation and raise revenue by
indirect means. It is very
unlikely that Mr. Wilson will assent to the
fulfilment of this purpose, because it will
involve heavier tariff duties, and the Re-
publicans will be forced to compromise and
find other means if they hope to win De-
mocratic support. It is hoped that the
Republicans will be more amenable to
argument against tariff-raising just at
present, because of the danger of the
foreign market, being cut off as given a
greater extent than at present. The Pro-
sident-Elect, Mr. Harding, has been quoted
to the effect that America's future in
foreign trade lies in the Western rather
than in the Eastern hemisphere, but the
fact will not be lost sight of that Eng-
land is still America's best customer.

The downward price-trend in commodi-
ties here continues, with a resultant as-
sessment in the credit situation. The decline
in crop values has been most pronounced,
and it is estimated that the production
of the price of wheat, corn, oats, and cot-
ton has resulted in an approximate loss
of about \$800,000,000 sterling as compared
with the prevailing prices during the har-
vest of 1919. Some State banks in the
West have failed in consequence, but for-
tunately the difficulty is circumscribed, and
unlikely to spread. Buying power in the
agricultural districts has naturally
diminished tremendously.

Fortunately for America's prospects of
speedy recovery from the present business
lull, the existing conditions are due
to this lack of buying rather than to over-
production. It is believed that prices will
go still lower before the pre-war standard has
been reached, along which business will
proceed with an activity regulated in a
large measure by progress or stagnation
in Washington. It is agreed, however,
that the autumn crisis has been safely
passed, and splendid proof has been given
that the country's financial machinery can
withstand heavy strain without disruption.

The American stock markets, it is be-
lieved, have more than discounted industry
on its present footing, and there is some
hope that in the evening-up process a
somewhat higher level will be reached.
Everyone looks, but politics must have their
play first, it is feared, and decided pro-
gress may be deferred until 1922 as the
result.

BRITISH COAL EXPORTS.

STARTLING AMERICAN FIGURES.

Great Britain is losing her export coal
trade, and America is supplanting her in
foreign markets, says a Washington cable
to a London paper. Miners who strike
for excessive wages will no doubt be glad
to know. A return issued by the Depart-
ment of Commerce for September, the
latest available figures, shows that Ameri-
can exports of bituminous coal were
4,011,000 tons, as compared with 1,478,000
from Great Britain. Exports to Canada
alone from the United States were greater
than British exports to all countries.

Hitherto France has been the leading
market for British coal, but it is believed
that the October returns will show the
United States to hold the lead, and the
same thing is expected of Italy, formerly
England's second best customer. To Scan-
dinavia and Holland there went in Septem-
ber 697,000 tons from the United States,
and only 179,000 tons from Great Britain,
while the British coal trade to South Amer-
ica is approaching vanishing point.

GERMAN RAN ON TITLES.

A letter addressed to "Her Royal High-
ness Princess Henry of Prussia" was
recently refused for registration by a Ger-
man post office official at Homburg, near
Berlin, on the grounds that Royal titles
no longer existed in Germany and that the
letter should have been addressed to
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ADMINISTRATION. 110

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What is the joy of living? Stevenson sang
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No matter where you are, nor what your
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thing of the joy of living, if you wake up in the
morning with a clear head, a good appetite and
the renewed vigor which come from refreshing
sleep, and indicate a digestive system in
thorough working order.

But, unfortunately, many of us have a differ-
ent experience. On waking, we are too tired
for anything. We have no inclination for
breakfast, no appetite, no relish for food, and a
dread of work or exertion of any kind.

Perhaps the cause is over-work or worry, or
some unwise indulgence in food; but if the same
condition arises morning after morning, it may
generally be traced to some disorder of the diges-
tive organs. The stomach has probably been
overtaxed, and food is not properly digested.
Then the liver becomes sluggish, the ordinary
fail to act. The impurities which in the ordinary
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tem, and you become martyrs to stomach trouble,
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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

February 3rd.
Chakiang, Chinese str., 458 tons, Capt. Tall, from Sama Bay, with a general cargo.—Yue Wo.
Tevenias, British str., 4,821 tons, Capt. Riepenhausen, from Singapore, with a general cargo.—B. & S.

February 4th.

Choy Sang, British str., 1,424 tons, Capt. G. H. W. Walkers, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo.—J.M. & Co.
Delta, British str., 8,097 tons, Capt. Hetherington, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—M.M. & Co.
Dauvumont, French str., 300 tons, Capt. Cocco, from Hoihow, with a general cargo.—Kai Yue.
Kam Yang, Chinese str., 445 tons, Capt. Noronha, from Hoihow, with a general cargo.—Globe Nav. Co.
Kwang Lee, Chinese str., 1,488 tons, Capt. O. Taylor, from Canton, with a general cargo.—C.M.S.N.
Simferopol, Russian str., 1,403 tons, Capt. Steinberg, from Bangkok, with a general cargo.—R.V.F.
Sinkiang, British str., 1,616 tons, Capt. Puckett, from Shanghai, with a general cargo.—B. & S.
Tak Sang, British str., 977 tons, Capt. Ritchie, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo.—J.M. & Co.

CLEARANCES.

February 4th.

Choy Sang, for Canton.
Delta, for Singapore.
Gungah, for Swatow.
Hoihow, for Swatow.
Hupah, for Bangkok.
Hydrangum, for Swatow.
Kuhai, for Foochow.
Panast, for Bangkok.
Prosper, for Saigon.
Sinkiang, for Canton.
Sui Yick, for Shanghai.
Tevenias, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

Per *a.s. Delta*, on February 4th:—Mr. C. J. Collis, Mr. W. Chauvaud, Mr. Roul-Darby, Mr. E. Clark, Mr. L. Trigg, Mr. R. W. Beatty, Mr. Hitchcock, Mr. J. Jones, Mr. N. Porter, Mr. Neudham, Mr. E. Finch, Mr. J. Mulder, Mr. L. Heath, Mr. A. Casser, Mr. W. W. Mitchell, Mr. R. Downs, Mr. J. Hefferman, Mr. R. P. Windsor, Mr. J. H. Deason, Mr. A. Havison, Mr. F. G. Burnap, Mr. W. H. Oliver, Mr. F. R. Ames, Mr. A. Norton, Mr. J. Mack, Mr. J. Westmoreland. There were 130 passengers on board.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Atreus (Blue Funnel), due March 28th.
Autolichus (Blue Funnel), due March 29th.
Benmohr (Ben line), from Laith and London, due February 7th.
Eldridge (Admiral line), due about February 20th.
Elpenor (Blue Funnel), due March 20th.
Empress of Russia, from Vancouver, due February 10th, at daylight.
Idomenus (Blue Funnel), due March 3rd.
Jason (Blue Funnel), due March 10th.
Kaga Maru (N.Y.K.), from Japan, due February 10th.
Keemun (Blue Funnel line), from Europe, due February 20th.
Kisano Maru (N.Y.K.), from London, due March 3rd.
Lisbon Maru (N.Y.K.), from Japan, due February 9th.
Lowther Castle (Doddwell line), due February 8th.
Panast (Admiral line), due March 7th.
Pyrrhus (Blue Funnel), due March 31st.
Sanki Maru (N.Y.K.), from Japan, due February 7th.
Satsuma (Barber line), from New York, due about February 15th.
Taiwan Maru (N.Y.K.), from Calcutta, due February 12th.
Tango Maru (N.Y.K.), from Sydney, due February 14th.
Telemachus (Blue Funnel), due April 12th.
Wakana Maru (N.Y.K.), from Liverpool, due February 9th.
Yebosi Maru (N.Y.K.), from Calcutta, due February 21st.

SHANGHAI DOCK FATALITY.

AN EXPLOSION ON THE "TAIHU".
 Three employees of the Shanghai Dock Company, a fireman and two boiler-makers, lost their lives on January 25th as the result of an explosion which took place in the stokehold of the C.M.S. *Taihu*. This vessel was lying at the Dock under repair, and the three deceased and several other men were at work on one of the boilers under steam blow-out. The stokehold was immediately filled with scalding steam. Several of the workmen rushed from the stokehold without injury, but the three deceased were unable to find their way through the dense clouds of steam, and so were found scalded to death when the boiler had blown off and it was possible to re-enter the stokehold.

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SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The *a.s. China* left Shanghai on Feb. 3rd, and is expected here to-day.
 The N.Y.K. *a.s. Tango Maru* (Australia line) left Thursday Island for this port, via Manila, on February 3rd, and is expected here on February 14th.

CHURCH SERVICES.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND MILITARY SERVICES.

Sunday, February 6th, 1921.
 7 a.m., Holy Communion, Chaplain's Room.
 9 a.m., Parade Service and Holy Communion, Cathedral.
 10.30 a.m., Parade Service and Holy Communion, Stonecutters.
 5.45 p.m., Evening Service, Hospital, Bowen Road.
 6.45 p.m., Evening Service, Chaplain's Room.

UNION CHURCH (Kennedy Road).

Sunday Services, February 6th.
 Morning Service at 11 a.m., Subject "Mutual Responsibilities"; Hymns, 277, 522, 110, 59; Psalm 146. Evening Service at 6 p.m., Subject "The Hidden Life"; Hymns, 339, 219, 208, 370. Preacher, Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTISTS, Macdonnell Road. Sunday, 11.15 a.m. Wednesday, 9.45 p.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

February 4th, at 12.23—Pressure has increased moderately from Shanghai to Fomosa, and slightly at Hongkong. It has decreased moderately at Weihaiwei.

The anti-cyclone is now central over the lower Yangtze Valley.

The monsoon will moderate along the east coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.43 inches against an average of 1.71 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

DISTRICT	FORECAST.
Hongkong to Gsp Rock	(N.) winds, moderate; fair.
Formosa Channel	(N.E.) winds, fresh.
South coast of China between the same as Hongkong and Lamook	(N.)
South coast of China between the same as Hongkong and Hainan	(N.)

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, February 4th.

	Previous Day at 5 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	30.07	30.14	30.11
Temperature	55	45	53
Humidity	53	68	56
Wind Direction	North	calm	SSE
Force	2	0	1
Weather	b	b	1
Rain	0.22	—	—

Highest open-air Temperature on 3rd, 53.

Lowest open-air Temperature on 4th, 44.

HONGKONG TIME SIGNALS.

The Time Ball on Kowloon Signal Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. only.

The Ball is hoisted half mast at the 50th minute and full mast at the 57th minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time it will be lowered at 5 minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at the following hour, if possible.

Should the Time Ball be out of order, the above routine will be carried out with the flag "Z" on the Storm Signal mast.

Time Signals are also given at night by means of three white lamps mounted vertically on the Observatory wireless mast.

From 5.50 to 9.00 p.m. the lamps are extinguished momentarily at the even seconds, except at the 2nd, 28th, 50th, 52nd, and 54th of each minute.

The hours refer to Hongkong Standard Time (8 hours East of Greenwich).

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